

HOUSE BILL 734

By Smith

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 49; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to nursing.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-209(e), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(5) Notwithstanding a law to the contrary, and pursuant to the authority granted in subsection (a), no later than July 1, 2021, the board shall promulgate emergency rules to permit individuals who qualified as temporary nurse aides in nursing homes on or after the beginning date of the national public health emergency as declared by the United States secretary of health and human services on January 31, 2020, to become certified as nursing assistants in this state and be placed on the nurse aide registry.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.